

### **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

In paragraphs 1, 3, 9, 21, and 40, please amend as reflected in the following marked-up version of the paragraph:

[001] The present invention generally relates to methods, systems, and devices for saving natural resources. More specifically, the present invention generally relates to substituting mechanical and electromechanical devices and systems for waste disposal systems that traditionally use water ~~is~~as a carrier medium.

[003] In addition to protecting the natural resources associated with land and fuel sources, such as wood, oil, gas, and coal, there is a need to preserve water resources. With an exploding world population, available water resources are being overextended. Existing technologies are incapable of reducing the quantity of water used for every day living. Waste of consumable water occurs because of antiquated water systems that lose water or use water in an efficient manner. For instance, many existing water supply lines leak allowing significant quantities of culinary water to seep into ground ~~surround~~surrounding the water line.

[009] According to another aspect of the present invention, provided are methods, systems, and devices that utilize collected and packaged bio-waste material as a fuel source. Homes, factories, or other building structures can include a dedicated recycle system that burns the bio-waste material, converting the bio-waste material into electricity usable by the home, ~~factor~~factory, or other building structure. Alternatively, collected or packaged bio-waste material can be transported to one or more centrally located recycle facilitates that burn the bio-waste material, again creating electricity.

[021] Figure 10 illustrates a schematic partial cross-sectional side view representation of an exemplary ~~building structure~~ collection receptacle of the exemplary system of Figure 1, with associated collection receptacles, carts, network, and local storage according to one configuration of the present invention.

[040] Liner 54 securely collects any bio-waste material deposited therein and prevents ~~a~~ any portion of the bio-waste material escaping from liner 54. To aid with this, liner 54 includes drawstring 66 close to open end 60 that facilitates closing of liner 54. A user manually operates drawstring 66 to close open end 60 of liner 54. Manual operation of drawstring 66 occurs, either directly or indirectly, by way of intervening levers, gears, linkages, mechanical or electromechanical components, combination thereof, or other manners by which movement of a user initiates movement of drawstring 66. Optionally, moving drawstring 66 to close open end 60 releases the contact between liner 54 and lip 47 of drawer 45, thereby enabling liner 54 drop into an awaiting cart or storage receptacle from which the cart removes the bio-waste.

### AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to Figures 6, 7, and 8. These sheets, which include Figures 6, 7, and 8, replace the original sheet including Figs. 6, 7, and 8.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets

Annotated Sheets Showing Changes